

Sunlight Glad Gardens

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EAST ROCHESTER, NEW HAMPSHIRE

1954

Once again I am happy to offer you hand dug, hand cleaned and hand graded bulbs at the same old prices. You can buy from growers who produce many more bulbs than I, and who offer many more varieties, but nowhere can you buy better bulbs, or be quoted lower prices. Our bulbs are tops. The extreme drought kept the bulblet sizes down so that 3s and 4s are scarce, and wholesale orders for these should be a matter of correspondence. Where available, the price per 100 will be as follows:

NO. 1	No. 2	No. 3	No. 4	No. 5	No. 6
5.00	4.00	3.00	2.50	2.00	1.50

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Unless otherwise noted after the description of a variety, the price of lesser lots will be

Large 3 for .25 medium 4 for .20
 small 10 for .25

Large 10 for .75 medium 10 for .45
small 10 for .25

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1954 RETAIL LIST

ABIGAIL Big, distinctive, light lavender which has always been outstanding here. Opens 8 or more on a nice spike.

ANNAMAE Early white that is really white. An easy glad to grow for it is naturally straight.

ASTRID Topnotch rose with deeper throat. Right-ly rated one of the very best.

BIG TOP Immense light salmon with dark blotch.
Tall and striking. A real eye arrester.

BITTERSWEET Somewhat similar to Bikini in color but taller and slightly larger.

BLESSED DAMOSEL Exceptionally beautiful light rose of a clear pastel shade. Large flowered. Rather late bloomer.

BUCKEYE BRONZE Unquestionably the best smoky bronze. Well ruffled, a fine grower and very popular.

BOLERO Brownish orange with darker blotch.
Lacinated and ruffled petals. A snappy smoky.

BOUTON D'OR Golden yellow with a double row placement. A good yellow for commercial use.

BURMA Many people tell us that our strain of Burma is superlative. Nothing else quite like this deep rose. One of the most beautiful glads but at its best from large bulbs.

CHERBOURG Tall growing, medium rose of a lively shade.

CONN. YANKEE Light pink with scarlet blotch.
Many large blooms open at once.

DEBORAH SAMPSON Pastel light buff on a strong growing plant. Ten open blooms is not uncommon. One of the best light pastels.

DIEPPE Wonderfully impressive salmon red.
A topnotch glad.

DOROTHY ARMSTRONG Opens eight medium sized purple blooms on a long wiry flowerhead. Fine showflower and a good commercial.

ELIZABETH THE QUEEN Most beautiful lavender. Ruffled and fluted blooms on a spike of medium height. Heavy show winner.

ETHEL CAVE-COLE Very early, large flowered light pink. A hard one to beat for an early commercial.

FAIR ANGEL Early white. Well ruffled and well worth while.

FIREBRAND An early red that is outstanding here. Nice clear color and exceptionally good spikes. Medium and small bulbs only.

- FLORENCE NIGHTINGALE** This ruffled white is universally rated as one of the best.
- FRANCIS M. IRWIN** Different shade of rosy lavender. Has some misplaced blooms, but the color is grand. Well liked by florist.
- GOLDEN ARROW** A reliable medium yellow which we grow in quantity for our cutflower trade.
- HARMAU** Nice growing salmon with deeper throat.
- HARRY HOPKINS** Reddish rose that is very fine Tall, well balanced spikes.
- HAWKEYE RED** Brilliant, glowing medium red. Rated as one of the best commercials.
- HEAVENLY WHITE** Blue white that is both unusual and good.
- HIGH FINANCE** Smoky, mottled light orange. Big, rugged and distinctly worth while.
- H. R. HANCOCK** Snappy salmon with lighter throat. Always reliable for us.
- HUNTRESS** Early lavender of medium shade. Opens a large number of blooms at once. Fine florist flower.
- JEANIE** One of the best known and best liked pinks. Tall, large flowered and extra good.
- JUNE DAY** Early pink with a reddish blotch deep in throat. A real good glad.
- KESTRAL** Fine, large orange. Two tone effect that is very pleasing.
- KING LEAR** Ruffled and needlepoint purple which is quite striking. Our stock of it is especially healthy. Try it.
- LADY EVE** White with bright red blotch. Very striking.
- LANCASTER** This is an exhibition purple which can be very nice when well grown.
- LARAMIE** Late reddish orange. Opens a large number of florets at once on a medium height spike.
- LAVENDER QUEEN** Always straight lavender with deeper lavender fleckings on petal edges.
- LEADING LADY** Large creamy white that is one of the best.
- LIPSTICK** Light pink with red blotch in throat. It is a topnotch glad in every respect.
- MASQUERADE** Brilliant yellow with deep red blotch. Makes up sensationally in sprays and baskets.
- MODERN TIMES** Reddish purple with glowing sheen.
- MORNING KISS** Immense, tall growing white with small deep pink blotch in throat. Will require staking in rich soil.
- MOUNTAIN GEM** The more of this deep red we grow, the better we like it. Nice color and a consistently good grower.
- MT. INDEX** Not many glads have as many good qualities as this clean white with a bright yellow throat. It is extra good.
- MYRNA FAY** Extra early, tall lavender of medium shade. Valuable as an early commercial.
- NANCY** Highly rated scarlet that is well liked by growers.
- NEW EUROPE** Orange red. Brightest color imaginable. Big flowers. Placement not always perfect but is showy and good.
- ORIENTAL PEARL** Huge flowered cream. Florets often measure 8 inches. Tall erect spikes. Many times a blue ribbon winner.
- PANDORA** Very nice buff pink. Graceful, shapely and good.
- PARTHIENA** Rosy mauve. Large florets of a pleasing shade on fine tall spikes.
- PHANTOM BEAUTY** Warm light pink which will open ten or more on a perfect spike. Extra nice.
- PRESIDENT TRUMAN** Large flowered light pink that is well liked by garden visitors.

- PURPLE SUPREME** Extra tall. Straight growing deep purple with a brilliant sheen. Fine in every way.
- RED CHARM** The standard red. Medium deep shade. Has everything necessary to make a topnotch glad.
- RHETT BUTLER** Very early, brilliant light red. Inclined to crook if planted late, but it makes a nice early commercial.
- ROOSEVELT'S MEMORY** A tall, pure white. A midseason white that is a very easy grower.
- ROSE O'DAY** Bright rose which opens a large number of florets. Fine color and a favorite with all.
- ROSE RUFFLES** Salmon rose with immense blooms on a straight spike.
- ROYAL WINDSOR** Very bright spectrum red. Unusual but really beautiful color. Distinctly worth while.
- SALMAN'S GLORY** Tall growing cream with yellow edged red blotch. An extra good glad.
- SHERWOOD** Velvety purple, shading to deeper purple in the throat. Well ruffled blooms on tall, straight spikes.
- SIBONY** Giant lavender on immense spikes. Heavy show winner and a general favorite.
- SILVER WINGS** One of the best whites. Well ruffled, vigorous grower. Good placement and tall spikes. What more could one ask?
- SNOWBANK** Late, clear white that is an excellent commercial. Medium and small sizes only.
- SNOW PRINCESS** Early, brilliant white. A good white and valuable because of its earliness.
- SPINDRIFT** Exhibition type ruffled white that is very nice. Opens a large number of blooms at once. Large bulbs only.
- SPOTLIGHT** For an all around yellow we like this better than any other yellow we grow. Not spectacular, but a mighty good glad.
- SPIC AND SPAN** In the brief time since its introduction this ruffled salmon pink has probably won more prizes than any other variety. Will open 10-12 blooms at once on an always straight spike. A really sensational glad.
- STOPLIGHT** Flashing red that always stops traffic in our gardens. An extra good red.
- SUPREME BEAUTY** Large flowered deep pink with lighter throat. Distinctive color and always perfectly placed florets.
- SUSQUEHANNA** Light rose or peach buff. Will open 12 blooms from large bulbs. Recommended highly.
- SUNLIGHT** Exquisite buff, shading to a golden throat. One of the most beautiful glads, but needs extra fertilizer and water to produce the long flowerheads of which it is capable.
- SUNSPOT** Apricot with rose blotch. Tall spike and many open florets. Has an enviable show record.
- SKYWAY** Very early light pink with creamy white throat. Opens 7 or more on a long flowerhead. One of the best recent introductions.
Large 50c Medium 25c each
- SUNDAY BEST** Beautiful light lavender rose shading to creamy lavender throat. Opens 8 or more on a fine spike. Large 1 for 25c Medium 2 for 25c, small 4 for 30c.
- TIVOLI** Tall, straight, lovely clear pink which opens a large number of blooms at once.
- VOODOO** Novelty and exhibition glad. Heavily ruffled smoky plum color. American Home medal winner. Voted the most popular variety in the Maine show in 1952. A very nice growing glad.
- WHITE GODDESS** One of the best whites. Grows five feet tall, with 8 large florets open. Does well from any size bulb.

WESTERN STAR This buff sport of Picardy has all the good qualities of that variety. An exceptionally nice glad to show.

YELLOW HERALD It is hard to find a better commercial than this ruffled yellow of medium shade.

HAND POLLINATED SEEDS

Unless you grow seedlings you are missing the greatest thrill which gladiolus can offer, for each will be different than its fellows, and many of them will become permanent residents of your garden. Our hand pollinated seeds are plump and well developed, and will germinate almost 100 per cent if the soil is kept uniformly moist for three weeks after planting. Covering the seed bed with straw or peat moss helps to retain the moisture and lessens the amount of watering. Seeds are sold at 50 cents per package of at least 40 seeds.

We offer the following crosses.

Aureole X Ethel Cave Cole
Aureole X Florence Nightingale
Andrena X Lavender Glory
Blue Beauty X Boccherini
Blue Beauty X Lylas
Blueblood X King Lear
Blue Lagoon X Ethel Cave Cole
Blue Lagoon X Fair Angel
Boccherini X Pactolus
Boccherini X Spic and Span
Boise Belle X Mrs. C. W. Gannett
Capt. Kidd X Dieppe
Cherry Jam X Ethel Cave Cole
Cherry Jam X Salman's Glory
Cherry Jam X Rose O'Day
Dieppe X Cherry Jam
Elizabeth the Queen X Spic and Span
Ethel Cave Cole X Burma
Ethel Cave Cole X Evangeline
Ethel Cave Cole X Maskerade
Ethel Cave Cole X Pactolus
Ethel Cave Cole X Rhett Butler
Ethel Cave Cole X Strathnaver
Ethel Cave Cole X Spic and Span
Florence Nightingale X Mrs. R. G. Errey
Florence Nightingale X Pactolus
Florence Nightingale X White Christmas
Friendship X Ethel Cave Cole
Friendship X Pactolus
Friendship X Rose O'Day
Grand Finale X Richland Rose
Lavender Glory X Capt. Kidd
Lavender Glory X Boise Belle
Lavender Glory X Ethel Cave Cole
Maskerade X Capt. Kidd
Maskerade X Red Charm
Maskerade X Spic and Span
Mixed X More than 150 crosses
Pactolus X Blue Beauty
Pactolus X Elmer's Rose
Pactolus X Ethel Cave Cole
Pactolus X King Lear
Pactolus X Robt. Alan
Pactolus X Spic and Span
Pactolus X Spindrift
Parthiena X Evangeline
Pastel Sdlg. X Elizabeth the Queen
Pastel Seedling X Evangeline
Pastel Seedling X Mrs. C. W. Gannett
Salman's Glory X Blue Beauty
Salman's Glory X Cherry Jam
Salman's Glory X Pactolus
Skyway X Ethel Cave Cove
Spic and Span X Aureole
Spic and Span X Blue Beauty
Spic and Span X Rhett Butler
Strathnaver X Blue Lagoon
Sunlight X Evangeline
Sunlight X Elizabeth the Queen
Sunlight X Parthiena
Sunlight X Spotlight
Sunlight X Sunspot
Sunspot X Parthiena
Sunspot X Spic and Span
Sunspot X Strathnaver

SEEDLING BULBLETS

If you haven't the time to devote to growing seeds, we advise growing bulblets from unbloomed seedlings. The chance of failure is less, and bulblets will usually produce larger bulbs than will seeds the first year. We offer selected bulblets from the above and more than 100 other crosses, in packets of fifty, for only one dollar.

UNBLOOMED SEEDLING BULBS

First year bulbs from hand pollinated seeds in mixtures only from more than 150 crosses. Sizes will average $\frac{3}{4}$ inches in diameter, and all should bloom from an early planting. This is a top quality mixture and worth at least twice our price of ten cents per bulb in any quantity. A hundred of these will give you more pleasure than any other row of glads you ever grew.

LAVENDER GLORY

The response has been gratifying from those who grew this new seedling last year. An outstanding glad which proved its worth during the extreme drought of last season, still putting up those long, tapering spikes, when many other standard varieties were not worth cutting. It is a clean lavender, splashed with light carmine. Distinctive, healthy and, in my book, one of the very best commercials. Price is \$5.00 each for the large bulbs, or one large and ten bulblets for \$10.00. Stock is still very limited, and the price will necessarily be high for several years. You can't lose, for the bulblets germinate readily, and I will guarantee that each bulb will produce at least 15 bulblets. Figure it out and you will see that it is a good investment in a mighty good glad.

COLLECTIONS

If you are interested in working up a stock of commercial varieties, you may have 10 large, 10 medium and 10 small (30 bulbs in all) of any 5 varieties listed at the regular price for \$6.25. This is a \$7.25 value. You may have the same number of bulbs of as many additional varieties as you wish for \$1.25 per variety, but you must buy at least five to obtain this special price. This is an economical way to get started in the cut flower game.

MIXED COLLECTIONS

At least 40 varieties in a well blended mixture packaged to your order in any combination of shades you may choose. This is an unlabeled collection and will contain several bulbs of still newer varieties which as yet we do not grow in quantities sufficient to list. This is a mighty fine collection of bulbs. Large \$5.00 per 100, \$3.00 per 50. Medium \$3.00 per 100, small \$3.00 per 200. All prepaid.

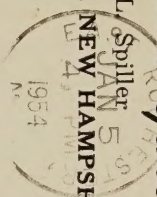
Postal rates are so excessive that it is unprofitable for us to accept orders for less than \$2.50. If your order is for a lesser amount, please send 10% additional to help defray the cost of mailing.

Please file this list and compare prices with those of other growers. Our bulbs are of high quality, our count is generous and we guarantee to please you. You will find it to your advantage to buy from SUNLIGHT GLAD GARDENS.



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